

Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 02387 300413Z

10

ACTION ACDA-10

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 ERDA-05 CIAE-00 H-02 INR-07

IO-10 L-02 NSAE-00 OIC-02 OMB-01 PA-01 PM-03 PRS-01

SAJ-01 SAM-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 TRSE-00 NSC-05

BIB-01 /088 W

----- 102773

R 292330Z APR 75

FM USMISSION NATO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1506

SECDEF WASHDC

INFO USDEL MBFR VIENNA

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY LONDON

USNMR SHAPE

USCINCEUR

S E C R E T USNATO 2387

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, NATO

SUBJ: MBFR: GUIDANCE TO AHG ON DATA ISSUES: SPC DISCUSSION APRIL

28

REF: A) USNATO 2035 DTG 141505Z APR 75; B) USNATO 2151 DTG

181810Z APR 75

1. AT SPC MEETING APRIL 28, UK REP (BAILES) CIRCULATED A UK PAPER ON GUIDANCE TO THE AHG REGARDING THE USE OF DATA (TRANSMITTED SEPTEL). UK REP SAID THE PAPER WAS OCCASIONED BY THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE ALLIES AND THE OTHER SIDE WILL ENGAGE IN A DISCUSSION OF DEFINITIONS AND DATA IN THE COMING NEGOTIATING ROUND. UK ASKED THAT HIS QUESTION BE PLACED ON SPC AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 5 AND SPC AGREED. UK REP SAID THAT LONDON ALSO BELIEVES THE CLEAR POSSIBILITY OF A DISCUSSION OF DEFINITIONS AND DATA IN VIENNA MAKES IT DESIRABLE TO SET ASIDE THE MBFR WORKING GROUP'S STUDY ON DATA REQUIRING AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST,
SECRET

PAGE 02 NATO 02387 300413Z

WHICH HAD BEEN BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE EAST MIGHT NOT AGREE TO SUCH A DISCUSSION (REF A). UK THEREFORE WISHED TO PROPOSE THAT THE SPC INSTRUCT THE WORKING GROUP TO SUSPEND ITS WORK ON THAT PAPER TEMPORARILY. NETHERLANDS REP (BUWALDA),

WHOSE COUNTRY HAD REQUESTED THE STUDY, SAID HE SAW SOME ADVANTAGE IN THE WORKING GROUP PROCEEDING SO THAT THE ALLIES WOULD AT LEAST KNOW INTERNALLY WHAT DATA WAS NEEDED FOR AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST. HOWEVER, HE WOULD PUT THE UK PROPOSAL TO HIS AUTHORITIES.

2. INTERNATIONAL STAFF ALSO CIRCULATED A COMPENDIUM OF EXISTING NATO GUIDANCE TO THE AHG ON DATA ISSUES, FOR EASE IN REFERENCE ON ANY SPC WORK ON ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE. THIS COMPENDIUM TRANSMITTED SEPTEL.

3. BELGIAN REP (WILLOT) SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION THE AHG NEEDED FLEXIBILITY, AND IN FACT ALREADY HAD THE AUTHORITY TO OFFER REVISED ALLIED DATA IF THE OTHER SIDE WERE PREPARED TO ENTER INTO A SERIOUS RECIPROCAL DISCUSSION OF DATA (SEE SECTION II-3 (2) AND IV OF IS COMPENDIUM REFERRED TO IN PREVIOUS PARA). FRG REP (HOYNCK WISHED THE AHG TO HAVE FLEXIBILITY, BUT HE QUESTIONED THAT THE CONDITIONS IN THAT NAC GUIDANCE HAD BEEN MET, AND SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THE AHG FOR THE NAC TO BE CLEAR ON WHETHER THE CONDITIONS HAD BEEN MET. ACTING CHAIRMAN (PABSCH) SAID THAT IN HIS VIEW, THE GUIDANCE REFERRED TO BY BELGIAN REP DID NOT INVALIDATE THE GUIDANCE IN SECTION II-1 OF THE IS COMPENDIUM, WHICH STATED THAT NONE OF THE DATA MAY BE USED WITH THE OTHER SIDE UNTIL THE COUNCIL SO INSTRUCTS.

4. BELGIAN REP NOTED THE UK PAPER'S WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER EXCHANGE OF COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY BREAKDOWN WITH THE OTHER SIDE. HE REMINDED THE SPC OF THE SERIOUS MISGIVINGS OF HIS AUTHORITIES ABOUT SUCH AN EXCHANGE, WHICH COULD PAVE THE WAY TOWARD NATIONAL SUB-CEILINGS. HE EXPECTED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WOULD OPPOSE SUCH AN EXCHANGE FOR A LONG TIME TO COME. FRG REP SAID FRG'S THINKING WAS IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS BELGIUM'S. HOWEVER, NETHERLANDS REP SAID THAT SUCH AN EXCHANGE IN THE LONG RUN MAY BE NECESSARY.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: IN TIME FOR MAY 5 SPC MEETING:
(A) CONFIRMATION THAT MISSION MAY JOIN A CONSENSUS IN SPC TO INSTRUCT MBFR WORKING GROUP TO SUSPEND TEMPORARILY THE WG
SECRET

PAGE 03 NATO 02387 300413Z

STUDY ON WHAT DATA REQUIRES AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST.
(B) WASHINGTON COMMENTS ON THE UK PAPER ON THE USE OF DATA.
(C) WASHINGTON VIEWS ON NEED FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE TO AHG WHICH MIGHT BE NECESSARY PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF DISCUSSION OF DEFINITIONS AND DATA IN VIENNA. WE NOTE THAT BEHREND, AT THE APRIL 18 AHG BRIEFING OF THE NAC, STATED THT IF THE EAST DOES MOVE TO A DISCUSSION OF DATA, THE NEED WILL PROBABLY ARISE FOR RAPID GUIDANCE FROM THE NAC, BUT IT IS TOO EARLY TO SAY WHAT KIND OF GUIDANCE IS NEEDED (REF B, PARA 1).BRUCE

SECRET

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 18 AUG 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 29 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975NATO02387
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: 11652 GDS
Errors: n/a
Film Number: n/a
From: NATO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t197504101/abbrzjrh.tel
Line Count: 108
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: n/a
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A) USNATO 2035 DTG 141505Z APR 75; B) USNATO 2151 DTG 181810Z APR 75
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 08 APR 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <08 APR 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <08 APR 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MBFR: GUIDANCE TO AHG ON DATA ISSUES: SPC DISCUSSION APRIL 28
TAGS: PARM, NATO
To: STATE
SECDEF INFO MBFR VIENNA
BONN
LONDON
USNMR SHAPE
USCINCEUR

Type: TE

Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006